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1. Bulgarian tank units are located in the barracks in front of Liberty Park in Sofia, and also in Gorna Banya (N 42-40, E 23-15), and in Gorublyane (N 42-37, E 23-25). These units are equipped with Soviet T-34 and ZIS (sic) tanks.
2. Units under the command of the Air Force are now located in the barracks in Sofia which were formerly occupied by 6 Infantry Regiment. These units are believed to be composed of parachutists.
3. In 1952, some classes of Bulgarian youth were called into service by the Bulgarian Army for a few months of special training. The persons who were called up were prohibited from saying where they had received their training and in what types of arms they had received instruction. These men were warned that if they did not obey the order for secrecy they would be prosecuted before a Military Court as spies and betrayers of military secrets.
4. In the spring of 1953, Bulgarian youths of the class of 1933 who had completed high school were called into the Bulgarian Army. Those who had not finished this portion of their schooling were not called up.

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